

Message

From: Jim Boucher [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]
Sent: 9/7/2021 3:04:40 PM
To: Bednar, Candace [Bednar.Candace@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Alt-En Mead Nebraska

Good Morning

I just called and left a voice mail message from my cell phone [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]

Thanks for the attempted reply anyway.

By way of introduction, I'm a retired PE with experience in power & chemical plants including environmental control technologies.

I started a technical review of NDEE Public documents on the AltEn site in Mead even before this year's wastewater spill event. In concert with some UNL & UNMC scientists & new friends in Mead, I've worked to identify the scope of this pesticide pollution problem & evaluate short term & long term remedies as required by EPA regs.

In my experience, NDEE oversight of AltEn is just baffling, unlike at any of my biofuel or fossil power or chem plant sites in NE or any other of the couple dozen states I've worked in.

I believe that the site manager AFRG & their consultant are proceeding with an ad hoc remediation process without benefit of the engineered Plan.

This process, using Clean Harbors services under a VCP agreement, appears to be following the emergency spill plan from February & March, and simultaneously abrogating all previous air, water & wastewater Permit requirements for repair & restoration of BMPs.

As a PE, I've filed a formal complaint with NE State Board of Engineers & Architects for absence of NE or any other state's PE design supervision.

I'd like your help in understanding the NDEE's responsibility to require & enforce EPA regulations regarding the engineered sampling, feasibility & remedial action plans before starting work.

Thanks

Jim

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Look forward to talking

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 7, 2021, at 9:00 AM, Bednar, Candace <Bednar.Candace@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Mr. Boucher,

I tried you this morning but I got an error message for the cell phone number [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)]. Do you have a different contact phone number? Thank you.

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